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Man on the Moon **Apollo Astronaut at UMass Dinner**

Dr. Nora Gamin Barnes, Director of the University of Massachusetts Dartmouth's Center for Business Research, recently announced that the center is hosting its annual Celebrity Scholarship Dinner on June 8, 2005 at the Venus de Milo Restaurant in Swansea. Highlight of this year's dinner will be an address by Astronaut Alan Bean, the fourth person and only artist to have walked on the surface of the Moon.

The business community, which normally accounts for the majority of attendees at the dinners, is once again demonstrating their unremitting generosity and steadfast support for the younger generation. A large number of business people throughout southeastern Massachusetts have already stepped forward and, in addition to buying tables for their own organization, are sponsoring tables for school kids within their school district. These business people want school children to meet and talk with Alan Bean — they feel strongly that it's important for our young people to be provided with role models that will motivate and inspire them to educationally important activities. Dr. Barnes anticipates well over 200 school age children will be attending.

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Above: In the aftermath of the recent "Blizzard of 2005," several residents of the Angelica Point neighborhood (Cove Street) in Mattapoisett celebrated the much-anticipated arrival of snow removal equipment by taking a photo with a copy of *The Wanderer*. (Photo by and courtesy of Alison McGrath).

On the cover: Captain Alan Bean, the fourth man to ever walk on the surface of the Moon during the Apollo 12 mission, is pictured here during his historic moment. Captain Bean will be the keynote speaker at the University of Massachusetts Dartmouth's Center for Business Research Celebrity/Scholarship Dinner on June 8 at the Venus de Milo in Swansea, MA. For tickets or more information, please contact Ava Lescault at 508-910-6435. (NASA photo).

from the Apollo 12 mission. Captain Bean will share his adventure of space travel through his words and paintings. It will be a night to remember for all who attend.

There will be a special VIP reception at 5:00 pm followed by a dinner and awards ceremony beginning at 6:00 pm. The VIP reception, dinner and awards ceremony is open to the public on a ticketed basis. VIP tickets are limited.

Tickets for the VIP reception are \$50 and include a photo opportunity with Alan Bean as well as an open bar (but does not include dinner). Tickets for the dinner are \$50 each, with tables of 10 available for \$500. For tickets or additional information, please contact Ava Lescault at 508-910-6435 or email alescault@umassd.edu.

Spring Season **Carter, Womack and Cult Coming to Plymouth** Loretta LaRoche Productions has announced that



Above: Country artist Lee Ann Womack is just one of the acts on tap to play at the Plymouth Memorial Hall this spring. Ms. Womack will perform on April 29. Other slated performers include Aaron Carter, Blue Oyster Cult, and Arlo Guthrie. Tickets for all shows are now on sale at www.ticketweb.com, by phone at 866-468-7619, and at all Strawberries locations.

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• **AARON CARTER** with Special Guest **JORDAN KNIGHT** on March 11 at 7:30 pm. The teen pop star and brother of Backstreet Boy Nick Carter will be performing his Top 10 hits and songs from his upcoming album. Jordan Knight, formerly of New Kids on the Block, will open with solo material and songs from his NKOB days. Tickets are \$25, with a limited number of \$75 VIP tickets available.

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• **BLUE OYSTER CULT** on April 16 at 7:30 pm. The thinking man's metal band that has become a staple on classic rock radio with such memorable hits as "Don't Fear The Reaper," "Godzilla," "Burnin' For You," and many others. Tickets are \$30 and \$35.

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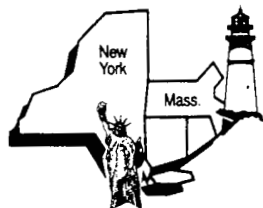
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four #1 hits and songs off her newly released album, *There's More Where That Came From*, including the top-10 single, "I May Hate Myself in the Morning." Tickets are \$40 and \$35.

• An Evening with **ARLO GUTHRIE** on May 8 at 7:00 pm. Woodstock veteran and the son of folk legend Woody Guthrie in a great evening of stories and songs, including "Alice's Restaurant," "City of New Orleans," and "Coming Into Los Angeles." Tickets are \$30 and \$35.

Tickets for all shows are on sale at www.ticketweb.com, by phone at 866-468-7619, and all Strawberries locations. Plymouth Memorial Hall is located at 83 Court Stret (Route 3A) in Plymouth. The website is www.plymouthhall.com.

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Tri-Town Selectmen's Meeting

February 17, 2005

By Kenneth J. Souza

The Mattapoissett, Marion and Rochester Boards of Selectmen met jointly in the TV Studio at Old Rochester Regional High School on Thursday, February 17 at 6:06 pm. Present from Mattapoissett were Selectmen Chairman Raymond Andrews, Selectman Jordan Collyer, and Town Administrator Michael Botelho. Present from Marion were Selectmen Chairman David Pierce, Selectman Andrew Jeffrey, Selectman Jonathan Henry, and Town Administrator Jack Dolan. Present from Rochester were Selectmen Chairman Gary Laboa, Selectman Richard Nunes, Selectman Bradford Morse, and Town Administrator James Huntoon. Mattapoissett Selectman Steve Lombard was not present for the meeting.

Chairman Gary Laboa said they would begin with discussing the formation of a Tri-Town (Public, Education, Government) PEG Access Cable Corporation, as per interest from several residents present at the meeting. Selectman Raymond Andrews moved to form a study subcommittee to look into the establishment of said cable access corporation for the three towns.

"I had a long conversation with Mary O'Keefe (of Comcast Cable) today about the ability to playback the Marion meetings through Mattapoissett," Selectman Andrews said, referring to a suggestion made at the last Tri-Town Selectmen's meeting. "(Ms. O'Keefe) recom-

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mended the easiest thing to do would be to move the equipment from the Marion studio and relocate it here (at ORR High School) and then run the playback from the studio. The thought of doing it from Mattapoisett becomes redundant."

Terry Lee of the Marion Cable Committee said he had previously met with Dennis Dutra, who submitted a proposal to move the equipment from the current Marion Comcast facility to ORR.

"(Mr. Dutra) seemed to think much of the equipment was old, but it would be more than efficient for broadcasting from ORR," Mr. Lee said. "He quoted a price of \$4,300 to duplicate that exact set-up here at ORR ... and Marion would continue to be able to broadcast meetings.



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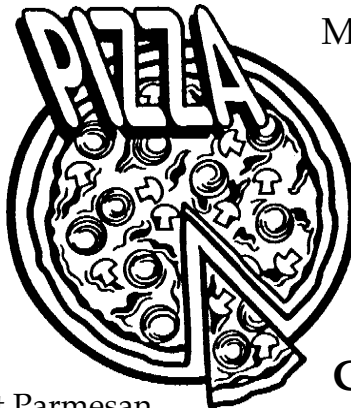
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But Selectman Andrews said he discussed Mr. Dutra's proposal with Mattapoisett Cable Committee Chairman Daniel White and they had serious reservations about the cost.

"We have one shot with this money and to go through this \$4,300 expense — we don't need to have a studio set up in this building right now," Selectman Andrews said. "We don't need a studio right now, all we need is for Marion to put a tape in a machine and broadcast over Channel 9. A lot of the things that Mr. Dutra has quoted is what Comcast is responsible for."

Mr. Lee said his committee is only looking to maintain the current level of service to Marion cable subscribers. "We think it's very important to continue broadcasting what we're broadcasting today," he said. "We just want to make sure we're not losing any access that we have today. As long as we can do mobile (shoots) and broadcast taped meetings, that's fine."

"Anything that is taped can be brought (to ORR), so the bottom line is: nothing changes," Selectman Andrew Jeffrey said. "It can be brought here and broadcast to all three towns."

Mr. Lee added that Marion currently has some shows — like lengthy Chapter 40B hearings — which require editing before being broadcast. "We're looking at three to six months before we can edit and broadcast

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shows," he said. "We have needs and we won't be able to do what we do today under the current proposal."

Marion Town Administrator Jack Dolan said the proposed subcommittee would be able to look at each town's specific needs. "If we look at all the towns' needs in a smaller group, we'll be able to fulfill everyone's wants," he said.

"My personal opinion is the motion on the floor makes a lot of sense," Chairman Laboa agreed.

With that, the motion to form a cable study subcommittee carried via unanimous vote.

The boards next discussed the status of the ORR High School Fiscal Year 2006 budget and the planned assessments for each of the three towns. Under the current proposed budget, Marion would be the hardest hit with an estimated 14.6 percent hike over this year; Mattapoisett would see a 6.6 percent increase, while Rochester would see a modest .5 percent jump.

"What I would like to propose is that we form a committee to look at the ORR agreement to see if it's possible that each town have the same cost per child," Selectman Jeffrey said. Mr. Jeffrey suggested a committee of nine members be formed — a representative of each town's Board of Selectmen, a representative from each Finance Committee (FinCom), and a member of the ORR District School Committee from each town.

"Whatever we decide to do, we want it to be fair to all three towns and not sink any one town in any one year," said Marion FinCom member A. Lee Hayes. "I'm going to make a couple of assumptions here — that we can (change) the assessments and we can do it in FY 06. I think Marion is the first one out of the box in terms of budgets."

"The big question I'd like to ask is: what legally can be done?," asked Rochester Town Administrator James Huntoon. "Because there's specific language in

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"If you wanted to ask (School Superintendent William) Cooper to go off and get the answers, I don't think we need a committee," said Lee Hayes. "We've heard anecdotally that we can change (the assessments) ... but maybe he could get us chapter and verse."

The boards next discussed the hiring of a regional Tri-Town Planner and a proposal received from Steve Smith of the Southeast Regional Planning and Economic Development District (SRPEDD). At the last Tri-Town Selectmen's meeting, Mr. Smith presented the joint boards with a couple of possible scenarios as to how the Tri-Town Planner's position could be administrated.

Selectman Henry moved to endorse Alternative

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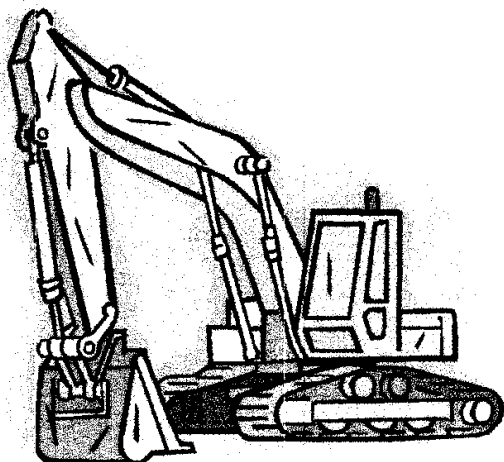
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"A" as submitted by Mr. Smith which would make the position strictly a "regional" planner working out of the SRPEDD offices in Taunton.

"I think there's more than enough work to support a regional planner," Selectman Henry said. "I like the idea of the person working at SRPEDD, so it would clean up the sharing arrangements of the past. I think the person should report to duty in Taunton."

"I think to start with a regional basis is the way to go," Selectman Jeffrey agreed.

"I don't disagree that would be the path of least resistance to start," added Chairman Laboa.

But Rochester Selectman Richard Nunes felt his town had a need for someone to assist with economic development issues. "It's fine that we work on housing, the water district, and wind power, but I think the planner should also work on something that the towns' individually need," he said. "Rochester is so dependent on SEMASS, we really don't have any other non-residential (tax base)."

"I would suggest we start simple with a defined role, get (the planner) in place, and then let it grow from there," Selectman Andrews said.

"Does it make sense that we agree to go forward on a regional basis and then look at expanding (the planner's role) later if needed?" asked Selectman Jeffrey.

The boards all consented to begin with the regional approach and fund the position at an estimated cost of \$20,000 per town. "I know in Rochester the concept and dollar figure has been out there for a while, so if the FinCom had any problems with it, I'm sure we would have heard about it by now," Chairman Laboa said.

With that, the boards voted to move forward with the hiring a Tri-Town Planner to begin working on regional issues via majority vote — with Selectman Nunes in sole opposition.



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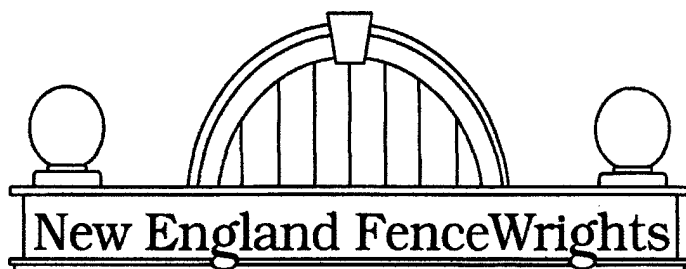
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- A "Wind Energy 101" Workshop which will be held on March 30 at ORR High School. According to Mattapoisett Selectman Jordan Collyer, the workshop is open to all three towns. "We think we're making tremendous progress and so far the high school looks like the best potential location (for a wind turbine)," he said. He added that they are hoping to plan a trip to Hull, MA sometime in March to view the wind power facility in use there.

- Housing needs in the three towns, which is an ongoing and serious issue. "It's a common thread throughout all three towns," Selectman Andrews said. "The alternative to not keeping it alive is exposing the towns to outside developers."

"I see housing as being at or near the top of the list of the Tri-Town Planner's duties," Selectman Henry said. "There's an overwhelming need to get housing available (to residents)."

"We're going to have an increased need for veterans housing in the towns, too, with returning vets who need to find affordable housing in the area," Selectman Andrews added.

- The need to fill various vacancies on each town's volunteer boards. "All committees need people and I know we have a lot of vacancies in Rochester that need to be filled," Chairman Laboa said. "We need bodies, we need residents to step up and serve on these commit-

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- Representatives of the Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) have offered to attend the next Tri-Town Selectmen's Meeting to be held on Thursday, March 24 at 6:00 pm in the TV Studio at ORR High School.

There being no further matters on the agenda, the Tri-Town Boards of Selectmen unanimously voted to adjourn for the evening at 7:20 pm.

Sports Shorts

Half Marathon

The 2005 Four Points Sheraton Hyannis Half Marathon kicks off the 2005 New England Tri-State Half Marathon Championship Race Series on February 27, 2005 in Hyannis, MA. The Half Marathon series will consist of three New England based half marathons taking place in Massachusetts, New Hampshire and



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Wareham Recreation

• **Winter II Programs:** Wareham Recreation is offering a number of classes this session for all age groups. They will be offering the following **Preschool Classes** such as: Energy Burner, Just for Twos, Building Blocks, Pop Tot Gym, Gymnastics, Game Time, Little Artists, and Sports Club. There is an option to sign up for these classes twice a week or once a week for eight weeks.

The following **Youth Classes** are being offered: Floor Hockey, Dance, Yu-Gi-Oh Club, Yuishinkai Kobujutsu, Judo, and Mad Science. All Youth Classes run for eight weeks. Floor Hockey will be offered on Wednesday and Friday for a drop-in fee of \$3 per day. All equipment will be provided. Dance will be offered twice a week. Come and learn fun dance routines based on Hip Hop and Pop Culture. Yu-Gi-Oh Club meets on Thursday for a drop-in fee of \$1. Bring your cards to play and/or trade. Yuishinkai Kobujutsu Karate classes meet on Monday evenings. Beginners are taught Karate basics and then move onto Kata, which is a set of Karate movements

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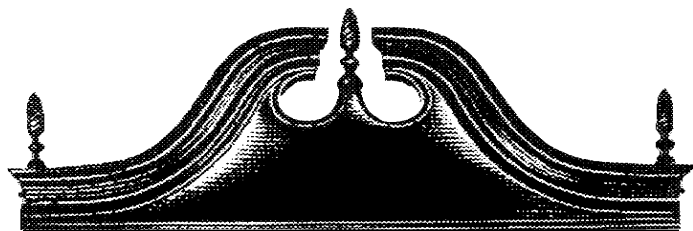


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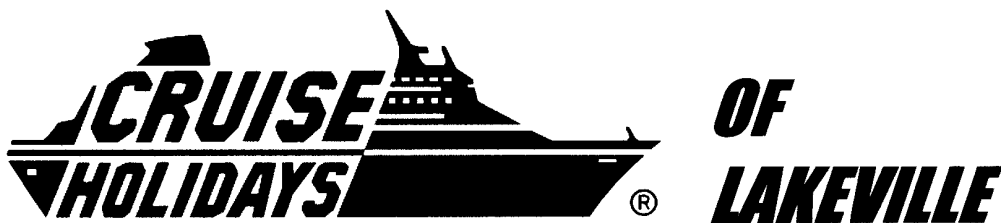
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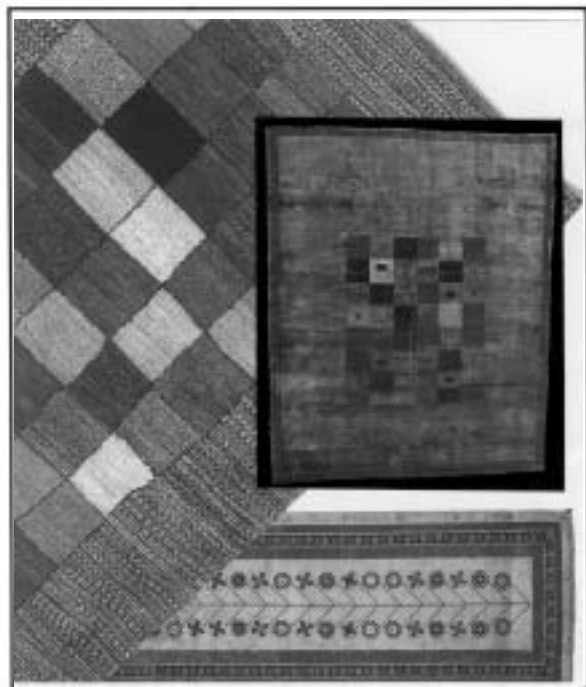
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Letters to the Editor

To the Editor:

In my recent letter thanking everyone who volunteered and donated to Mattapoisett's Midday Madness, No Kidding was inadvertently left out. Thank you, No Kidding, for your generous donation!

Sincerely,
Gretchan MacDonald
Recreation Director, Mattapoisett

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ORR Stages Ragtime

The Old Rochester Regional High School Drama Club cordially invites tri-town senior citizens to the final dress performance of *Ragtime*, a musical based on E.L. Dotorow's novel and produced by Paul Sardinha. The show will take place on Wednesday, March 30 at 7:30 pm. Come early, visit backstage, and meet the cast and crew.



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- Monday — "The Woman at the Well";
- Tuesday — "Roll Away the Stone";
- Wednesday — "The Prodigal Son" (This will be followed by the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Priests will be available for individual Reconciliation);
- Thursday — "Emmaus, Recognizing Him in the Breaking of the Bread" (This evening will include the Celebration of the Eucharist. Join other participants for a fellowship reception in the church hall after the service).

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Mattapoisett Women's Guild

The Women's Community Guild of the Mattapoisett Congregational Church will next meet on Tuesday, March 1 at 1:00 pm. The program will feature Marilyn Greene from the New Bedford Interchurch Council. Guests are always welcome.

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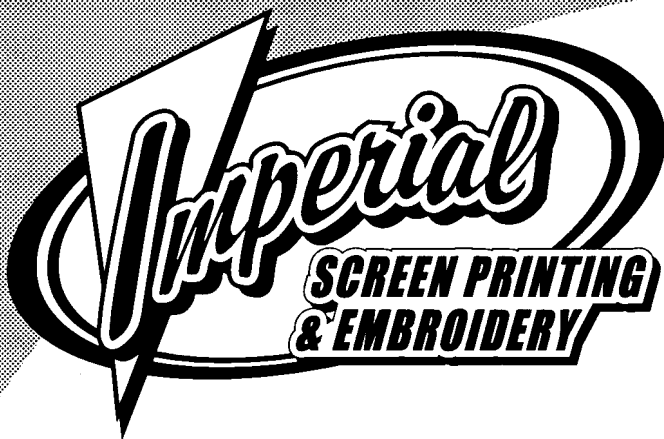
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More information about community-scale wind power is available on the RERL website at www.ceere.org/about_wind.

The presentation will be offered on Wednesday, March 30 at 7:00 pm in the Old Rochester Regional High School Cafeteria. This workshop is free and funded by the Massachusetts Renewable Energy Trust.

American Legion Meeting

The next monthly membership meeting of the Florence Eastman Post 280 American Legion will be held on Wednesday, March 16 at 7:30 pm at the American Legion Hall on Depot Street in Mattapoisett. All members

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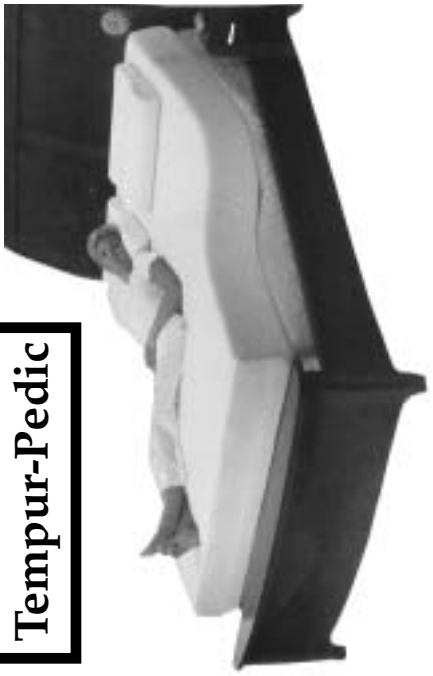
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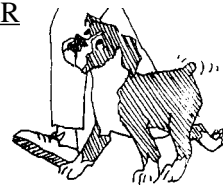
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Tri-Town Preschool Playgroup

Another series of the Tri-Town Preschool
Playgroup will begin on March 8 and meet for six con-
secutive Tuesdays. Temple Mitchell will facilitate the
sessions. Two sessions are available — one beginning at
9:15 am, the other at 10:30 am.

The playgroups offer children and families the
opportunity to come together to share some simple
activities, usually planned around seasonal themes.
Adults also have a chance to connect with each other. The
target age group for the playgroups includes three- and
four-year-olds. Families that include a younger sibling are
welcome to attend. A fee of \$18 per family, to cover the
cost of materials, will be charged for the six-week series.
The project is funded, in part, by the Old Rochester
Regional School District's "Community Partnerships for
Children" grant.

Registration is limited and pre-registration is
required. For more information or to register, please call
the Early Childhood Office at 508-748-1863.

Marion Social Club

The Marion Social Club is hosting its Winter Steak
Supper on Saturday, March 19, 2005. The club will open at
6:00 pm and dinner will be served at 7:00 pm. The menu
will consist of tossed salad, steak, baked potato, veg-
etable, rolls and butter, and dessert. Donation is \$14 per
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Mattapoisett Machacam Club

The Machacam Club will hold its March meeting on Wednesday, March 2 at the American Legion Hall on Depot Street in Mattapoisett. Social hour begins at 5:30 pm with dinner service at 6:00 pm.

The speaker this month will be Donald Finley, former pastor of the Mattapoisett Congregational Church from 1967 to 1982. Don has titled his talk "Mattapoisett

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Marion VFW Supper

The Benjamin D. Cushing Post 2425 Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) announced a Ham and Bean Supper and Penny Sale (Silent Auction) will take place on Saturday evening, February 26 at 7:00 pm at the VFW Pavilion on Route 6 in Marion. Featured will be four varieties of baked beans, hand-carved baked ham, oven roasted potatoes, tossed salad, cole slaw, various breads and rolls, and butter. Coffee, tea and numerous baked desserts will also be served.

Donation is \$8 per person. For tickets and further information, please call Gardner McWilliams (508-295-9558); Jere Hill (508-295-5047); Joseph Napoli (508-748-2799); Harry Brown Jr. (508-763-5619); or Ernest Halunen (508-295-4718).

Marion Fire Anniversary

The public is cordially invited to attend the 100th Anniversary Ceremony of the Marion Fire Department on Saturday, March 5, 2005 at 1:30 pm in the Sippican School Auditorium, 16 Spring Street, Marion.

Friends of St. Patrick

The Southcoast Friends of Saint Patrick will host their Second Annual Charity Fundraiser on Thursday, March 17. All proceeds will go to local charities that aid Southcoast friends and families who encounter unforeseen financial hardship. The celebration will include a traditional Irish dinner, music and raffles. The event will

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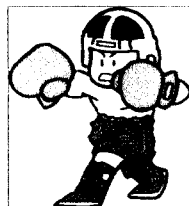
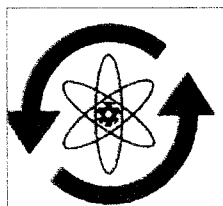
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Psychic in Rochester

Psychic Vickie Frazier from Spirit of Light will be at Bev Loves Books in Rochester on Thursday, February 24 from 12:00 noon to 5:00 pm. Please contact Bev Loves Books at 508-763-5503 for more information or to make an appointment.

Tri-Town Childhood Program

The Tri-Town Early Childhood Program, located at Old Rochester Regional High School, is currently accepting applications for the 2005-2006 school year. A limited number of spaces are available. Students are accepted to the program on a first-come, first-served basis.

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For an application or for more information, please contact Diana Russo at 508-758-2772, extension 1954.

ORR Band Benefit

The Old Rochester Regional High School Jazz Band will present an evening of Jazz Music and Dinner on Saturday, March 5, 2005 at 6:00 pm at the Mattapoisett Congregational Church Hall. The proceeds are to go directly to the Jazz Band's trip to Branson, Missouri to compete in the Jazz Cup National Competition in April.

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Dinner will be served at 6:30 pm, with baked chicken breast, baked fish, vegetable, mashed potato, salad and dessert. The cost is \$20 per person. Tickets are available from each band member, or at the Symphony Music Shop on Route 6 in Dartmouth (508-996-3301) and at the Seaport Village Ice Cream & Coffee Shoppe on Route 6 in Mattapoisett (508-758-2604). Please come out and enjoy this great band and have a great meal.

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Mattapoisett Council on Aging

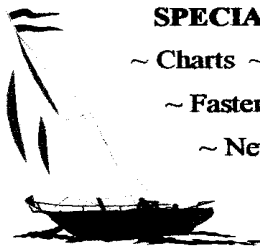
The Mattapoisett Council on Aging (COA) is located in Rooms C-130 and C-140 at Center School. Please enter at the main entrance; parking is across the street near the Church Carriage Shed or in the school lot. The phone number is 508-758-4110 and the center is open from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm, Monday through Friday.

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- Tuesday, March 1 – Stop and Shop/Marts 8:00 am; Handwork Group 10:00 am; Weight Training 2:00 pm;
- Wednesday, March 2 – Water Aerobics 8:00 am; Bingo 1:00 pm;
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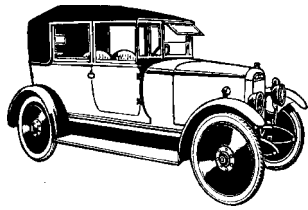
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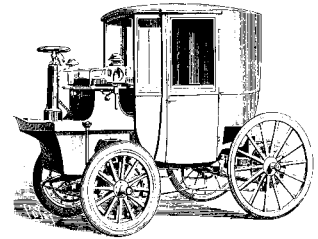
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Coming March 17: The Friends of the Elderly Luncheon at 12:00 noon at the Knights of Columbus Hall. Please call the COA (508-758-4110) to reserve a place and/or arrange for van pickup.

Help to seniors in preparing 2004 tax forms is available Monday mornings with Bob Walters at the COA. Please call to make an appointment. Bring last year's tax return, 2004 forms for both federal and state, and all W-2s, 1099s, and 1098 statements received. In the event you qualify for the MA Circuit Breaker Credit, you should also bring all paid 2004 tax bills/receipts and water bills.

Wanted: The COA is looking for a piano. If you can help out, please contact Cheryl at the center (508-758-4110).

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Friends of the Elderly

Friends Luncheon

The Friends of the Elderly Luncheon will be held on March 17 at 12:00 noon. The luncheon will be held at the Knights of Columbus Hall on Route 6 in Mattapoisett. Please call the Council on Aging (COA) at 508-758-4110 for tickets and for a ride on the van.

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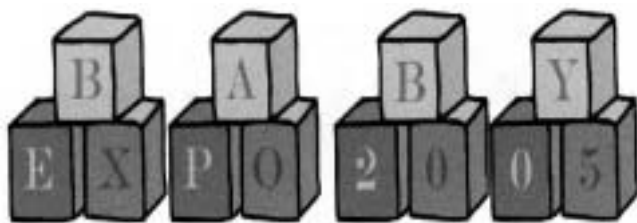
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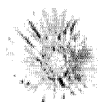
Christine Voss of the Foster Grandparent Program
will present a program overview on March 11 from 1:00 to
2:00 pm at the Mattapoisett COA. Foster Grandparents
play a vital role in young people's lives and futures. Join
them to learn more about this exciting program. Please
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Fairhaven's Millicent Library

The following upcoming events for kids and teens
will be held in the Millicent Library's Auditorium (Walnut
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- In March, two new reading groups will be
formed. On the first Monday of the month (March 7) at
6:30 pm, teens are invited to the library for dinner, conver-
sations about new books, and planning for library events.
Registration is requested so dinner can be ordered. The
Teen Reading Group begins on March 7. The **After
School Reading Group** is for kids ages 8-14, and will be
held on the fourth Tuesday of every month from 3:45 to
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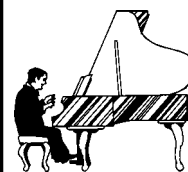
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Any child born before August 31, 2000 is eligible for enrollment in Kindergarten. Any child born in the year 1999 is eligible for enrollment in Grade One. The Old Rochester Regional School District last year adopted a new age entrance date for incoming Kindergarten students. Their policy states that children must turn 5 years old on or before August 31 of the year they enroll in Kindergarten. Parents should bring a birth certificate or a notarized memorandum of birth with them on registration day. A doctor's memorandum showing the following immunizations and a lead screening blood test is required by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health for school entrance:

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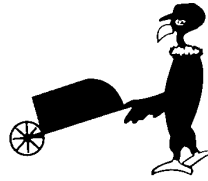


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Applicants must be residents of Mattapoisett, Marion or Rochester, or members of the Mattapoisett Congregational Church, and must be high school seniors graduating in June, or previous graduates who have applied for or are reentering an accredited post-secondary education program.

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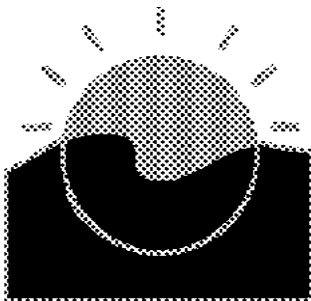
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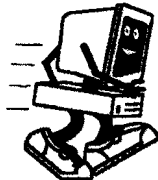
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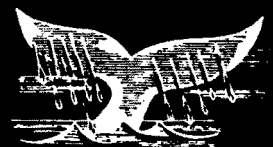
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town of Sweet Apple to kiss teen-aged Kim MacAfee. The teen population of Sweet Apple, complete with its Conrad Birdie Fan Club, mobilizes for the big event. The MacAfee family is also swept up in the hysteria. In the process, Birdie is revealed for the selfish, opportunistic egoist he is, while the prominent couples, Albert and Rose, despite Albert's mother's protestations, and Kim and Hugo, her boyfriend, end up together in this delightful romantic comedy.

On April 14, 1960, the show opened in the Martin Beck Theater before moving to Broadway for a run of over 600 performances. *Birdie* featured then relative unknowns Dick Van Dyke (Albert) and Paul Lynde (Mr. MacAfee); it also starred Chita Rivera as Rose, Maureen Stapleton as Mrs. MacAfee, and Dick Gautier as Conrad Birdie. Reviewer John Chapman noted that the show was a "smash success" in large part because it featured the "freshness, sparkle and impudence of youth." Although the production garnered no Tony Awards, the 1963 film version, which also starred Van Dyke and Lynde and additionally starred a young Ann Margaret as Kim MacAfee, was nominated for Best Score and, in terms of Golden Globe nominations, for Best Motion Picture and Best Actress. Although the critics loved the perky and effervescent Margaret, Van Dyke in particular was disappointed with the film, claiming that it had become primarily a vehicle for the 22-year-old Margaret. In 1995 *Birdie* was staged again as a made-for-TV movie starring Jason Alexander and, among others, Vanessa Williams.

Tabor Academy's production of *Bye Bye Birdie* is directed by John Heavey with musical direction by David Horne. The technical director is Richard Van Voris, the choreographer is Jane Babbitt. Lilly Wilson ('05) designed the scenery and John Robichau ('05) designed the lights. Area performers include Paul Hanson as Albert, Nadia Shutkufski as Rose, Maura Van Voris as Kim, and James

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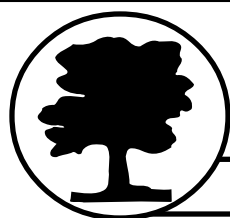
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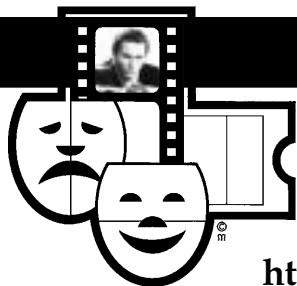
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Constantine. Starring Keanu Reeves and Rachel Weisz. Directed by Francis Lawrence. Running time: 121 minutes. MPAA rating: R.

For those familiar with the Vertigo *Hellblazer* comics, on which *Constantine* is based, Keanu Reeves playing John Constantine is a little like William Hurt playing Denis Leary. In the comics, Constantine is a profane, chain-smoking, irreverent, and deeply British figure, openly contemptuous of anyone he considers a "wanker," whether a junkie or a demigod. Reeves gets Constantine's surface habits but misses the punk-rock edge that laughs in the face of armageddon. For all that, though, this *Constantine* is acceptable for what it is: a kitchen-sink metaphysical adventure, in which the surly hero slouches unwillingly from one horrific encounter to the next while wishing everyone would just leave him alone to sit and smoke in his dusty Los Angeles apartment.

Constantine, who casts out demons in order to secure himself a good seat in Heaven (he's destined for Hell, for reasons familiar to Catholic readers), gets pulled into a mystery involving a psychic who went sidewalk-diving. The psychic's twin sister Angela (Rachel Weisz), a cop, is convinced that it wasn't suicide. Angela sees her sister on a security camera whispering the name "Constantine" right before she jumps to her death; I'd say Constantine owes the dead sister a cut of his salary for the great reference. In any event, Constantine agrees to figure out what drove the sister to her death and perhaps rescue her soul from Hell.

Constantine is shaped as a supernatural *noir*, much like the TV series *Angel*, also set in L.A. (where demons apparently prosper). The fun of the comics was partly in the colorful rogue's gallery of characters Constantine ran across, and the movie gives us Papa Midnite (Djimon Hounsou), a quasi-voodoo man who holes up in a nightclub for psychics only; Beeman (Max Baker), who lives in the back of a bowling alley and can get you any magical gadget; Father Hennessy (jiggly-eyed Pruitt Taylor Vince), an alcoholic priest who calls Constantine in when his exorcism attempts fail; the androgynous Gabriel (Tilda Swinton), an angel not quite of the Roma Downey variety; and Balthazar (Gavin Rossdale, frontman of the rock group Bush), a suave half-breed demon. Constantine is also driven around by Chas (Shia LaBeouf), a kid who wants to be Constantine if and when he grows up.



The movie is certainly more entertaining than last fall's tedious *Exorcist: The Beginning*; if you're going to make a theological action-adventure, *Constantine* is much more the way to go. It comes complete with mumbo-jumbo about the birth of the son of Satan, and joining his blood with the blood of Christ to achieve an apocalyptic end; it goes for all the marbles, like any season finale of *Buffy* or *Angel*, and the outcome is similarly never in doubt. (You don't watch a hero for two hours or 22 episodes just to see evil triumph at the end — not in a \$100 million Hollywood film, anyway.) While decidedly no one's idea of the John Constantine of the comics (who was originally modelled on Sting), Reeves acquits himself well enough; neither the worst nor the best actor imaginable for the role, he inhabits this grouchy character and his bleak surroundings with something like grace. His whoa-dude voice may still wreak havoc with his line readings, but his body has its own eloquence, able to move from cynical slouch to action-hero stance in a heartbeat.

Handsomely shot by Oscar-winning cinematographer Philippe Rousselot, and directed with a strong taste for oblique angles by first-timer Francis Lawrence (another music-video vet), *Constantine* is one of the better-looking films of the season, despite some dim lighting in a scene involving dozens of buffalo dropping dead (the moment would pack more of a spooky punch if you could see it better). It also occupies a useful middle ground between campiness and taking itself too seriously; it opts for neither of those, approaching its supernatural highlights with a matter-of-fact attitude. As for the movie's apparent fixation on water as a portal to Hell (various characters submerge themselves in bathtubs or dunk their feet in the liquid for a peek at the forbidden), your guess is as good as mine; *Constantine* has been cross-marketed everywhere from Comedy Central to a PlayStation game, but somehow Poland Spring missed out on the merchandising action.

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500 Kings Highway, New Bedford, MA.
 Movie Hotline: (508) 985-3000

Friday, February 25 through Thursday, March 3.

Constantine (R) – 12:35, 4:00, 7:20, 9:50
 Pooh's Heffalump Movie (G) – 12:05, 1:45, 3:30
 Boogeyman (PG-13) – 7:15, 9:15
 Diary of a Mad Black Woman (PG-13) – 12:20, 4:10, 7:10, 9:40
 The Aviator (PG-13) – 12:15, 3:30
 Meet the Fockers (PG-13) – 7:25, 9:45
 Man of the House (PG-13) – 12:35, 2:50, 5:00, 7:05, 9:20
 Hitch (PG-13) – 12:25, 4:05, 7:10, 9:30
 Because of Winn-Dixie (PG) – 12:45, 3:30, 7:00
 Hide and Seek (R) – 9:35
 Million Dollar Baby (PG-13) – 12:45, 4:15, 7:05, 9:45
 Are We There Yet? (PG) – 12:30, 2:40, 4:45, 6:55
 The Phantom of the Opera (PG-13) – 9:00

Son of the Mask (PG) – 12:10, 2:20, 4:30, 7:15, 9:25

Sideways (R) – 12:30, 7:00, 9:30

The Wedding Date (PG-13) – 4:00

Cursed (PG-13) – 12:40, 3:00, 5:05, 7:20, 9:35

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The Aviator (PG-13) – Fri: 3:55, 7:15;
 Sat-Thu: 12:30, 3:55, 7:15
 Bad Education (NC-17) – Fri: 3:20, 6:50, 9:00;
 Sat-Thu: 12:50, 3:20, 6:50, 9:00
 Sideways (R) – Fri: 3:30, 6:30, 9:05;
 Sat-Thu: 12:40, 3:30, 6:30, 9:05
 Being Julia (R) – Fri: 3:35, 6:45, 9:15;
 Sat-Thu: 1:00, 3:35, 6:45, 9:15
 Finding Neverland (PG) – Fri: 3:40, 6:40, 9:10;
 Sat-Thu: 12:55, 3:40, 6:40, 9:10

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 Movie Hotline: (508) 291-4100

Friday, February 25 through Thursday, March 3.

Because of Winn-Dixie (PG) – 12:45, 3:30, 7:00
 Hide and Seek (R) – 9:10
 Million Dollar Baby (PG-13) – 12:40, 3:25, 6:55, 9:40
 Hitch (PG-13) – 1:05, 4:00, 7:00, 9:30
 Constantine (R) – 1:00, 4:05, 7:15, 9:45
 Are We There Yet? (PG) – 12:35, 6:50
 The Aviator (PG-13) – 3:30, 8:50
 Son of the Mask (PG) – 12:30, 2:30, 4:30, 7:05, 9:00
 Cursed (PG-13) – 12:30, 2:40, 4:45, 7:10, 9:15
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Mattapoisett Town Election

Mattapoisett Town Clerk Barbara Sullivan recently announced that nomination papers are available for the May 17, 2005 Annual Town Election. The last day to obtain nomination papers is Friday, March 25, 2005 and must be filed in her office by April 12, 2005 for the following positions:

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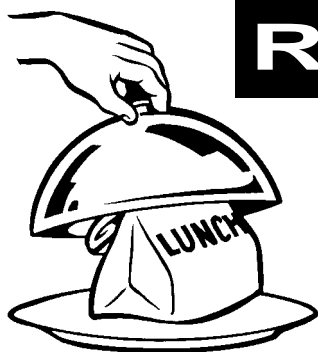
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Thursday, March 3 – Chili dog, hot dog, baked potato puffs, carrot sticks, fruit, milk.

Friday, March 4 – Cheesy stuffed crust pizza, side tossed salad, fruit, milk.

• COASTLINE ELDERLY NUTRITION PROGRAM

Monday, February 28 – Swedish meatballs, whipped potatoes with chives, carrots, knotted roll, mixed fruit cup.

Tuesday, March 1 – Cream of carrot and celery soup, herb baked chicken, escalloped potatoes, cherry muffin, banana.

Wednesday, March 2 – Beef stew with vegetables, parslid potatoes, club roll, chocolate pudding, sugar-free pudding.

Thursday, March 3 – Chicken a-la King, vegetables, white rice, oatmeal bread, pineapple in light syrup.

Friday, March 4 – Stuffed shells with tomato sauce, Italian blend vegetables, rye bread, brownie, graham wafer.

• CENTER SCHOOL MATTAPOISETT

Monday, February 28 – Chicken pattie on a roll, lettuce/tomato, oven puffs, chicken noodle soup, fresh apple, milk.

Tuesday, March 1 – Steak'Um with cheese, oven baked fries, veggie sticks with dip, tomato soup, chilled pears, milk.

Wednesday, March 2 – Lasagna, hot garlic bread, tossed salad greens, pasta fagoli soup, chilled pineapple, milk.

Thursday, March 3 – BBQ shredded pork on a roll, baked beans, cole slaw, chilled mixed fruit, milk.

Friday, March 4 – Tuna or chicken salad sub, oven fries, clam chowder, veggie sticks with dip, orange smiles, milk.

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Thursday, March 3 – Chili dog, hot dog, baked potato puffs, carrot sticks, fruit, milk.

Friday, March 4 – Cheesy stuffed crust pizza, side tossed salad, fruit, milk.

• MEMORIAL SCHOOL ROCHESTER

Monday, February 28 – Chicken pattie on a roll, lettuce/tomato, oven puffs, chicken noodle soup, fresh apple, milk.

Tuesday, March 1 – Steak'Um with cheese, oven baked fries, veggie sticks with dip, tomato soup,

chilled pears, milk.

Wednesday, March 2 – Lasagna, hot garlic bread, tossed salad greens, pasta fagoli soup, chilled pineapple, milk.

Thursday, March 3 – BBQ shredded pork on a roll, baked beans, cole slaw, chilled mixed fruit, milk.

Friday, March 4 – Tuna or chicken salad sub, oven fries, clam chowder, veggie sticks with dip, orange smiles, milk.

• OLD COLONY REGIONAL VOKE HIGH SCHOOL

Monday, February 28 – Chicken nuggets, French fries, carrots, cranberry sauce, barbecue sauce, fruit.

Tuesday, March 1 – Turkey or ham salad roll, spicy fries, corn, chocolate pudding.

Wednesday, March 2 – Orange juice, stuffed shells, lasagna, green beans, roll, fruit crisp.

Thursday, March 3 – Bacon burger, potato puffs, peas, fruit.

Friday, March 4 – Fish sandwich, pizza, potato chips, veggies, fruit.

• OLD HAMMONDTOWN SCHOOL, MATTAPOISETT

Monday, February 28 – Chicken pattie on a roll, lettuce/tomato, oven puffs, chicken noodle soup, fresh apple, milk.

Tuesday, March 1 – Steak'Um with cheese, oven baked fries, veggie sticks with dip, tomato soup, chilled pears, milk.

Wednesday, March 2 – Lasagna, hot garlic bread, tossed salad greens, pasta fagoli soup, chilled pineapple, milk.

Thursday, March 3 – BBQ shredded pork on a roll, baked beans, cole slaw, chilled mixed fruit, milk.

Friday, March 4 – Tuna or chicken salad sub, oven fries, clam chowder, veggie sticks with dip,

orange smiles, milk.

• ORR JUNIOR AND SENIOR HIGH SCHOOLS

Monday, February 28 – Chicken pattie, lettuce/tomato, oven baked fries, beef barley soup, chilled fruit, Steak'Um with cheese, milk.

Tuesday, March 1 – Bacon cheddar burger, oven fries, pickle spears, lettuce/tomato, chicken rice soup, chilled fruit, ham and cheese croissant, milk.

Wednesday, March 2 – Cheese ravioli in sauce, hot garlic bread, steamed broccoli, minestrone soup, chicken nuggets, chilled pineapple, milk.

Thursday, March 3 – Turkey and gravy, creamy mashed potatoes, cranberry sauce, steamed peas, pepperoni pocket, chilled fruit, milk.

Friday, March 4 – Tuna or chicken salad sub, oven puffs, veggie sticks, clam chowder, orange smiles, chicken pattie, milk.

• SIPPICAN SCHOOL MARION

Monday, February 28 – Chicken pattie on a roll, lettuce/tomato, oven puffs, chicken noodle soup, fresh apple, milk.

Tuesday, March 1 – Steak'Um with cheese, oven baked fries, veggie sticks with dip, tomato soup, chilled pears, milk.

Wednesday, March 2 – Lasagna, hot garlic bread, tossed salad greens, pasta fagoli soup, chilled pineapple, milk.

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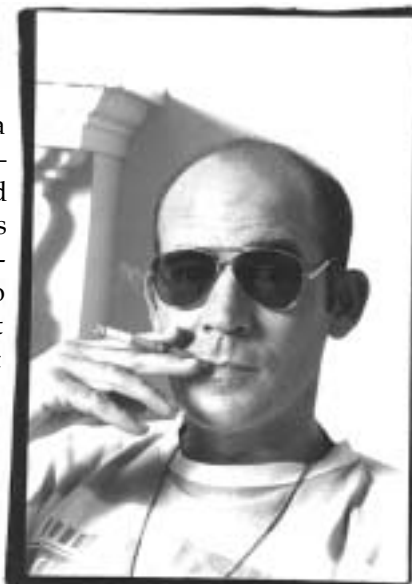
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Gonzo Gone

By Kenneth J. Souza
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It's probably almost a cliché for journalists of my generation to claim the rogue, rebellious, anti-establishment **Dr. Hunter S. Thompson** as a major influence on their decision to become a writer. Admittedly, I also became an early fan of the good doctor's oft-misunderstood style of "Gonzo Journalism" while cutting my teeth as Editor-in-Chief of our college newspaper, *The Torch*, back in the late '80s. There was something exciting and, well, *dangerous* about Thompson's unique voice and the seamless way he blurred the line between fact and fiction. You always knew that his articles and collected tomes contained bits of truth with ample amounts of colorful embellishments to make them all the more palatable and entertaining.

For Dr. Thompson the details were often just garnish for his elaborate confections — a spoonful of sugar to help the medicine go down.

As I learned of Thompson's sadly premature death earlier this week, I couldn't help but notice how two key news outlets — *The New York Times* and CNN — had reported the author's age as 65 and 67, respectively. I'm sure the irony of this simple "factual" discrepancy wouldn't be lost on Dr. Gonzo. It seemed like even in death, the notoriously private and reclusive writer had managed to somehow embellish his own obituaries.

That Hunter Thompson apparently committed suicide and died of a self-inflicted gunshot wound to the head was both shocking and yet somehow to be *expected*, especially given the doctor's penchant for playing with guns and explosives at his Colorado compound. I always feared he might accidentally shoot or blow himself up in one of his frequent flamboyant stunts. After all, dangerous acts breed dangerous writing.

But that doesn't make his passing any easier.

Most probably know Dr. Thompson for his frequent contributions to *Rolling Stone* magazine or his great drug-addled work *Fear and Loathing in Las Vegas*, which director Terry Gilliam brilliantly adapted into a film starring Johnny Depp as Hunter. While in college I devoured this source book and most of Thompson's other early seminal works like *Hell's Angels*, *Fear and Loathing on the Campaign Trail '72*, and *The Great Shark Hunt*, but other than his 1991 collection *Songs of the Doomed*, I drifted away from his more recent work.

Thompson was a rare breed of writer — a figure whose legend loomed larger than his reality and who, ironically, never wanted to be in the limelight himself. But the fact that he managed to write himself — or rather an embellished *version* of himself — into his work sort of made him a reluctant celebrity. It

was much in the same way that director Alfred Hitchcock suddenly became famous for his frequent cameos in films and, later, as host of the television series that bore his name.

But Dr. Hunter S. Thompson also had that added aura of mystery which made him all the more compelling to his fans and fellow writers. Few were allowed to glimpse the real man behind the myth who resided at the famed Woody Creek, Colorado compound. One was actor Johnny Depp, who spent weeks in 1998 studying Thompson for *Fear and Loathing in Las Vegas*. Another was Bill Murray, who also turned in a great satirical portrayal of the manic doctor in the 1980 film *Where the Buffalo Roam*. Others would tell firsthand tales of shooting sprees and wild drinking binges at Thompson's secluded ranch ... most of which sounded eerily like the doctor's own writing.

Fact or fiction? Who knows.

I'm sure Dr. Hunter S. Thompson would prefer to be remembered for his work and *not* his personal life anyway. And, to be honest, I've always thought the reason Thompson opted to live as a semi-recluse was that his real life was far more mundane than people wanted to believe. I really think the wild reports of his shooting at computers and typewriters were either just *affectations* or staged stunts to help fuel the fire of Dr. Gonzo's great *mythos*.

Whatever the truth, the reality now is that Dr. Hunter S. Thompson, the writer, is no more. But his spirit will live on, both in his own arcane prose and in the countless words of those he inspired and influenced.

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29 Majors or Marvin
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32 Had kittens?
33 Postern and portcullis
36 Main squeeze
37 "— culpa"
39 Heavenly hunter
40 "I bet!"
41 Part 2 of remark
46 Faux —
49 Fireworks reaction
50 "— Boulevard" ('50 film)
51 They may be rolled

52 Billings or Mostel
53 Neighbor of Miss.
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55 Leans
57 It's taken by nurses
58 Sharp taste
60 Skater
61 Wine choice
62 Nabokov novel
63 Kukla's colleague
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68 Fail to mention
69 Tedious
71 Sues or Shepard
72 Boathouse item
74 Objectives
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80 Like many gyms
82 Cornfield cry
83 Calcium oxide
84 Non-stereo
85 Peaceful
86 Chemist
87 Remsen
87 Singer Joey
88 Part 4 of remark

92 Heady quaffs
93 Respond to an alarm?
94 "Ask — Girl" ('59 film)
95 Fop's neckwear
98 Marsh bird
99 Facts, for short
102 Georgia athletes
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104 Way to go?
105 Clean-air org.
108 Serenade accompaniment
109 End of remark
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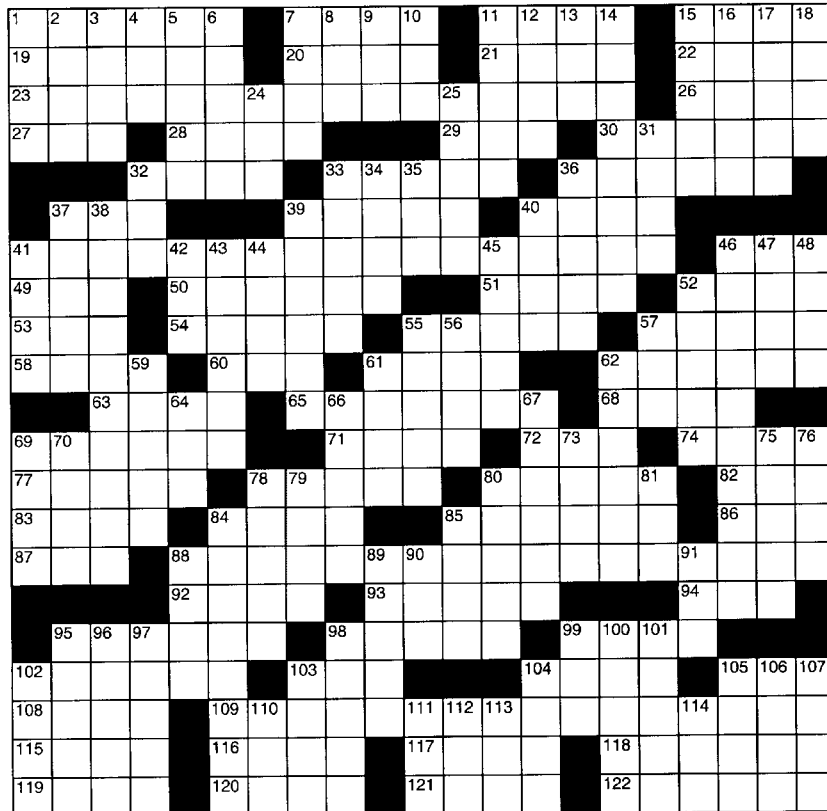
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10 It may be major
11 Fatheads stadium
12 — bloomer
13 "Yuck!"
14 Mehta and Muli
15 Iraqi city
16 Homeric work
17 Cool
18 Base stuff?
24 Bream of baseball
25 Actress
Graff
31 "— Angel" ('60 smash)
32 "Pshaw!"
33 "Peer Gynt" composer
34 Non-standard contraction
35 "Mazel —!"
36 Fills the bill
37 Dough
38 Wharton work
39 "Smilla's Sense —" ('97 film)
40 Actuary's fig.
41 Ditch under a drawbridge

42 Road curve
43 Decree
44 Step — (hurry)
45 Nick of "The Deep"
46 Party animal?
47 Guy Fri.
48 Queens stadium
52 Raul' of "The Addams Family"
55 At present
56 Rock's — Butterfly
57 Petite pooch
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62 Mime
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64 Picnic crasher?
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69 Like Mus-sorgsky's mountain
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113 Use a shuttle
114 Lepidopter-ist's need



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SALOME'S STARS

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) There could be some negative reaction to your tough stance when making a recent decision. But overall, your efforts result in well-earned recognition and all that can follow from that.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Your financial situation seems confusing, even for the fiscally savvy Bovine. Maybe it's the conflicting advice you're getting. Check it out before things get too tangled to unknot.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) A relaxed attitude goes a long way in helping you deal with any of life's irritants that might be popping up this week. You're also a reassuring role model for others in the same situation.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Your aspect favors creativity, which should persuade you to work on your artistic projects. If time is a problem, prioritize your commitments so that your work isn't compromised.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Scrutinize all the job offers that interest you. Most are honest and worth considering. But a few might not be completely forthcoming about what the job is and what the salary and benefits are.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) An unexpected snafu could delay the completion of a project you're eager to finish. Find out what's causing it, fix it, and if you need help, don't be shy about asking for it. Good luck.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) An idea that could be helpful to you comes from an unlikely source. Listen to it. Discuss it. If necessary, adjust it. If it looks as if it might work out quite well, go ahead and use it.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Be careful about allowing someone to share a very personal secret with you. This could cause problems down the line with others who are involved in that person's private life.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) A cooling down of a relationship could be the result of neglect, unintended or not. To save it from icing over, you need to warm it up with a large dose of hot Sagittarius passion.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) This is a good time to get involved with a number of family matters that involve money and other issues that might jeopardize the closeness between and among family members.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Cheer up. That difficult person who appears to be deliberately stalling your project might just need to be reassured of the value she or he brings to it.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Good news! Expect to feel re-energized now that you've gone through that stressful energy-depleting period involving a lot of changes. Now, go out there and show them what you can do.

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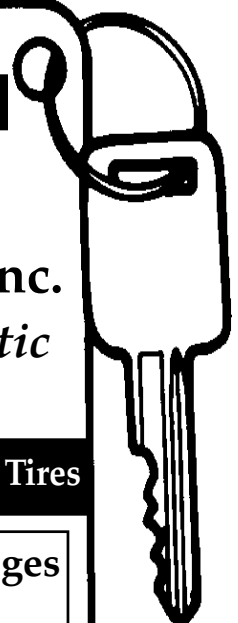
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<p>LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF ROCHESTER BOARD OF APPEALS #892 The Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing regarding the petition of Sol Brothers, Inc., Antonio A. Sol, owner, who is seeking a special permit under section VIII.D.6, to allow a business in the agricultural district (junk yard). Property is located at 118 Cushman Road, Assessors plan 33 lot 40. The public hearing will be held on March 10, 2005, 7:30 PM in the Conference Room of the Rochester Town Hall, 1 Constitution Way. Richard J. Manning, Jr., Chairman 02/17, 02/24</p> <hr/> <p>LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT PLANNING BOARD The Mattapoisett Planning Board will hold a public hearing on Monday, March 7, 2005 at 7:35 PM in the Town Hall concerning the site application of Christine Szuskiewicz regarding the proposed site AMendments to Subdivision plan, site location: off Railroad Avenue (south of Park Street) and show as Lot 59A on Assessors Map #16. Complete plans for project are on file at the office of the Town Clerk and may be reviewed by any interested party during normal business hours of the Clerks office. Planning Board 02/17, 02/24</p> <hr/> <p>LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF MARION PLANNING BOARD The Marion Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, March 7, 2005 at 8:00 PM in the Main Conference Room of the Marion Town House to consider the following amendments to the zoning by-law: 1. a new Section 7.4.8 Multiple Unit Rental Housing to permit mixed use of rental units and commercial uses 2. delete existing Section 7.4.2 Conversion of A Dwelling and amend Section 8.6 Accessory Apartments 3. amend Section 5.1, Dimensional Requirements Table to allow by special permit a use other than one or two family dwelling on pre-existing non-conforming lots. 4. amend Section 9.11 Site Plan Detail 5. amend Section 5.1 to allow buildings of 100 sq. ft. and 9 ft. in height to be constructed closer to minimum setback. John Rockwell, Chairman 02/17, 02/24</p> <hr/> <p>LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF MARION CONSERVATION COMMISSION The Marion Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, March 16, 2005 at 7:10 PM in the Town House conference room on a Notice of Intent submitted by ANTONIO LOPES to construct a single-family dwelling, a 700' (approximately) x 10' driveway, install utilities, and associated filling and grading off Rezendes Terrace, shown as Lots 17 & 27A on Marion Assessors' Map 7A. Plans are available at the Town House for review. Jeffrey W. Oakes, Chairman 02/24</p>	<p>LEGAL NOTICE OLD ROCHESTER REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT MASSACHUSETTS SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENCY UNION NO. 55 Marion, Mattapoisett and Rochester, Massachusetts This information applies to all children who reside in the Towns of Marion, Mattapoisett, and Rochester, including homeless children. 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Pre-K-3) 508-758-2521 Old Hammondtown School (Mattapoisett – Gr. 4-6) 508-758-6241 Rochester Memorial School (Rochester) 508-763-2049 Our school districts have developed Special Education Program Plans for the State Department of Education. These documents are public. Copies are available in the Student Services Office, 135 Marion Road, Mattapoisett, MA 02739. For further information about student services, go to http://www.oldrochester.org and click on "Special Education." Our Director of Student Services and our principals are available to answer questions, and we invite your comments about special education in any of our schools. Any parents or members of the community who would like to have input into our planning for special education should call the Director of Student Services at 508-758-2772 x1942, or should plan to attend a meeting of the Special Education Parent Advisory Council. Additionally, the Marion, Mattapoisett, Rochester, and Old Rochester Regional School Districts have openings for chairpersons. Please contact the Director of Student Services at the above listing if you are interested in serving on or chairing your town's Parent Advisory Council. If you have any questions or concerns regarding these laws and how they affect your children, please do not hesitate to contact your local principal or the Superintendent's Office. Anyone may obtain copies of special education laws and regulations from the Department of Education, 350 Main Street, Malden, MA 02148-5023. 02/24</p>	<p>LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF MARION BOARD OF HEALTH The Marion Board of Health will conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, March 8, 2005, at 4:45 PM in the Main Conference Room of the Marion Town House, on the variance application requested by Francis J. Perry Jr., pertaining to the property located at 25 East Avenue. The property is further identified as Lot 68 on Assessors' Plan 3. The following variances are requested from Title 5 of the State Environmental Code: 310 CMR 15.211: Distances: 1. The septic tank is proposed to be 8' from the property line rather than the required 10'. 2. The septic tank is proposed to be 8' from the cellar wall rather than the required 10'. 3. The leaching area is proposed to be 10' from the cellar wall (with a 40 mil. Polyethylene barrier) rather than the required 20'. 4. The leaching area is proposed to be 3' from the property lines rather than the required 10'. Elizabeth S. Dunn, Chairman 02/24, 03/03</p> <hr/> <p>LEGAL NOTICE MATTAPOISETT PUBLIC SCHOOLS Mattapoisett, Massachusetts Pursuant to Chapter 71, Section 38N of the Massachusetts General Laws, you are notified that there will be a PUBLIC HEARING of the Mattapoisett School Committee regarding the 2005-06 school budget at 7:00 PM on Monday, March 7, 2005, at the Center School, 17 Barstow Street, Mattapoisett, Massachusetts. 2/24</p> <hr/> <p>LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF MARION CONSERVATION COMMISSION The Marion Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, March 2, 2005 at 7:00 PM in the Town House conference room on a Request for a Determination of Applicability #41D-1214 submitted by GEORGE ESTUDANTE to construct a 12' x 16' storage shed on a cement pad at 19 Giffords Corner Road, shown as Lot 4A on Marion Assessors' Map 15. Plans are available at the Town House for review. Jeffrey W. Oakes, Chairman 02/24</p> <hr/> <p>LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF ROCHESTER BOARD OF APPEALS #894 Notice is hereby given that the Rochester Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on the petition of Patricia M. and Steven P. Arapoff, 6 Ladyslipper Trail, to review the special permits granted on November 14, 2002 under section VIII.D.1. and section VIII.D.8., which allowed a business with more than one employee in the agricultural/ residential district. The public hearing review will be held on March 24, 2005, 7:45 PM in the Conference Room of the Rochester Town Hall, One Constitution Way. Richard J. Manning, Jr., Chairman 02/24, 03/03</p>

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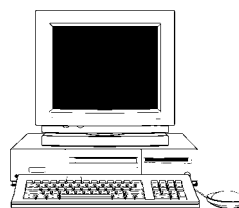


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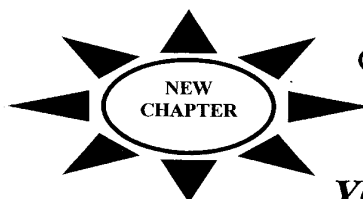
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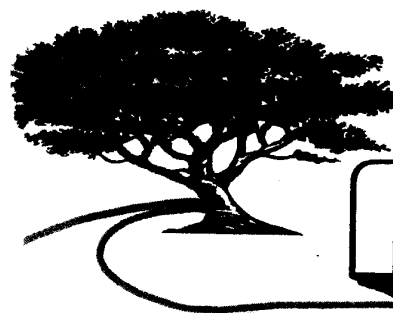
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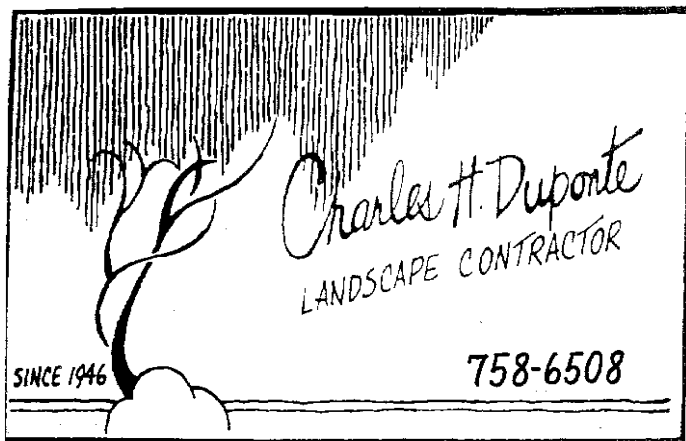
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- May 20 - June 22: New Work by Bo Burbank and Hattie Notman.
- June 24 - July 27: Small Works by Stephanie Warburg, Veronique Bale, Mary Ross, David Baggarly and Kathleen Dunn.
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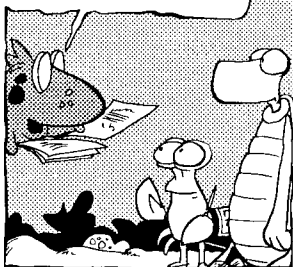
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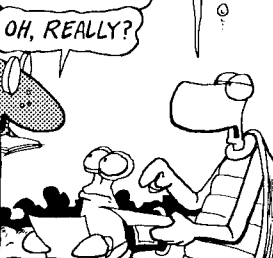
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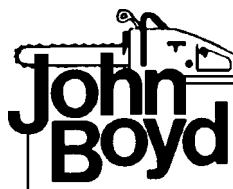
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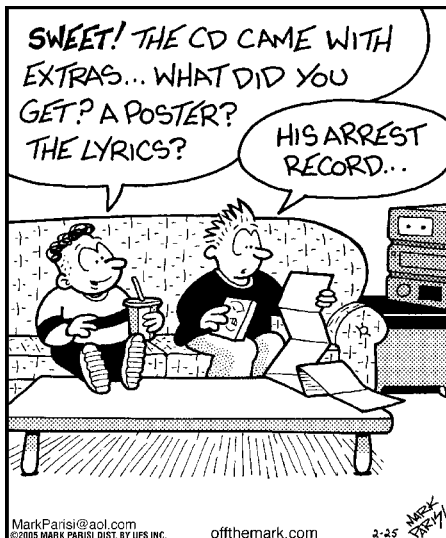
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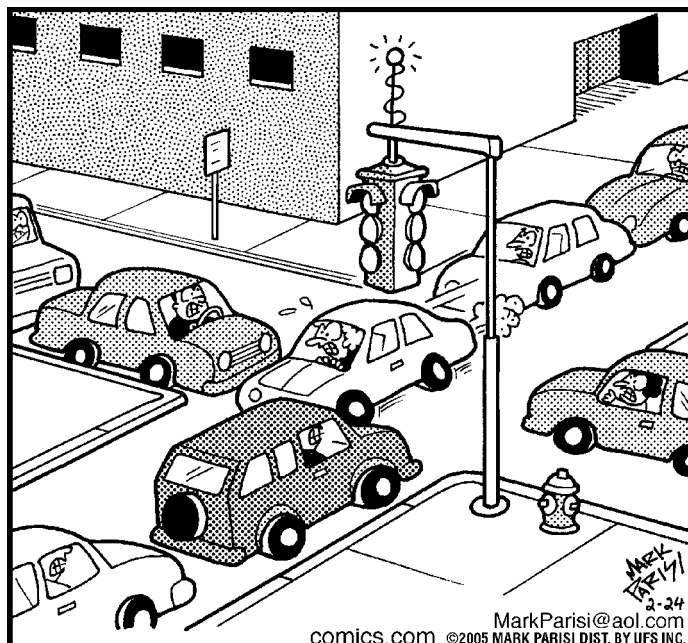
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February 25:	Fri.	8:33	8:54	2:01	2:24
February 26:	Sat.	9:09	9:31	2:38	2:52
February 27:	Sun.	9:48	10:11	3:13	3:20
February 28:	Mon.	10:31	10:55	3:50	3:52
March 1:	Tues.	11:18	11:44	4:30	4:30
March 2:	Wed.	...	12:09	5:19	5:16
March 3:	Thurs.	12:39	1:07	6:22	6:15
March 4:	Fri.	1:41	2:11	7:56	7:31
March 5:	Sat.	2:52	3:23	9:34	8:57
March 6:	Sun.	4:04	4:31	10:38	10:13
March 7:	Mon.	5:08	5:32	11:28	11:19
March 8:	Tues.	6:06	6:26	...	12:14
March 9:	Wed.	6:57	7:16	12:18	12:55
March 10:	Thurs.	7:44	8:03	1:12	1:33
March 11:	Fri.	8:31	8:49	2:00	2:10
March 12:	Sat.	9:17	9:35	2:45	2:45
March 13:	Sun.	10:03	10:22	3:25	3:20

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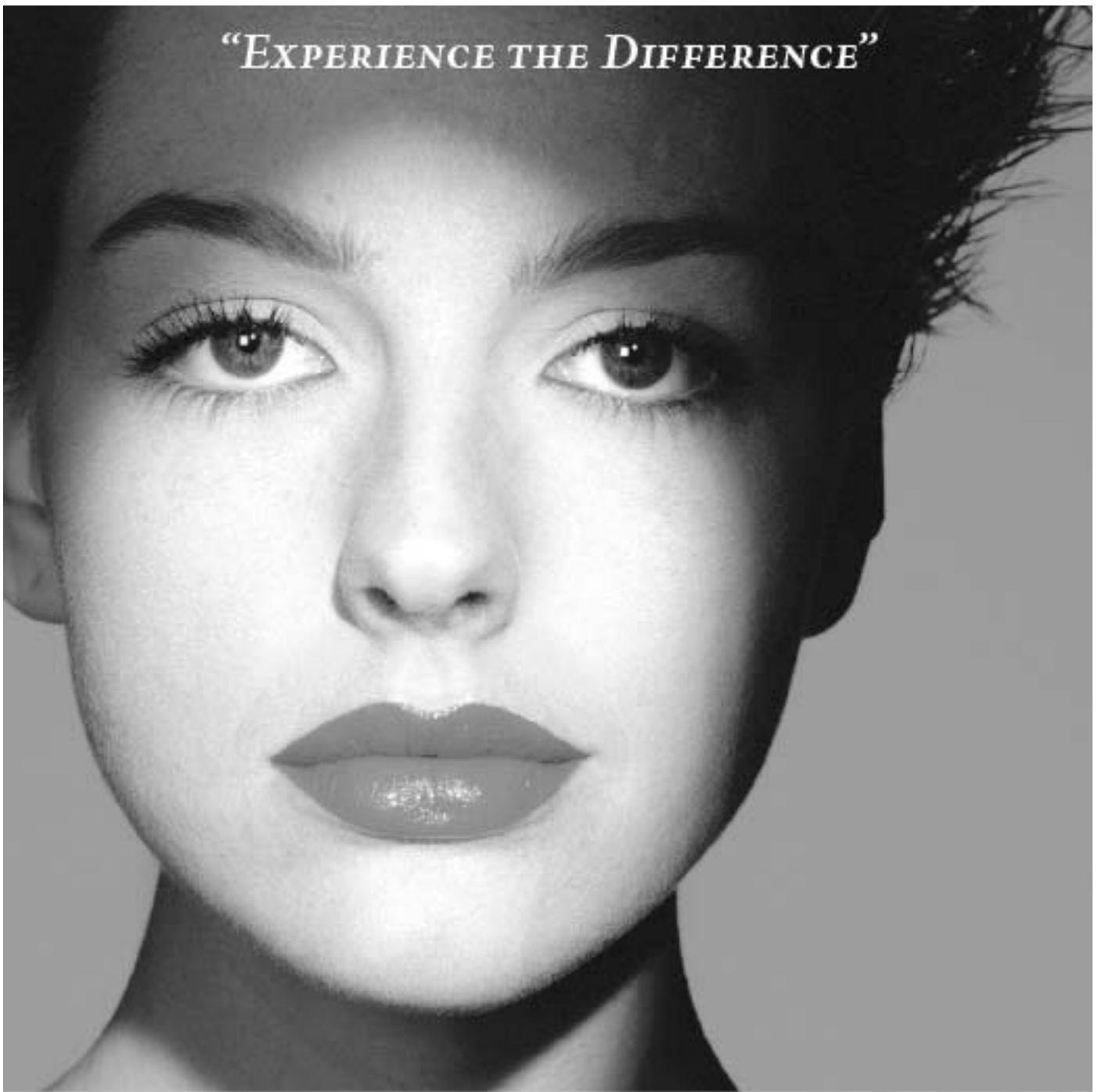
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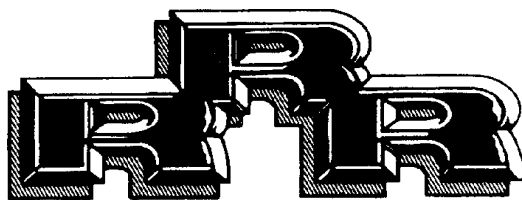
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